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In re application of: **Oskar RAPP, et al.**
 Serial No.: 10/630,421
 Filed: July 30, 2003
 For: **LIP SEAL**

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a **Response to Office Action** (7 pages) in the above-identified application.

Small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been previously established.
 Applicants assert small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27.
 No fee for additional claims is required.
 A filing fee for additional claims calculated as shown below, is required:

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SMALL ENTITY		OR	LARGE ENTITY	
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x \$ 9	\$		x \$ 18	\$
x \$ 43	\$		x \$ 86	\$
+ \$145	\$		+ \$290	\$
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Also transmitted herewith are:
 Petition for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136.
 Other: **Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement with PTO-1449 (3 pages) and copies of cited references, including translation of DE 26 26 484 (6 pages)**

Check(s) in the amount of **\$180.00** is/are attached to cover:
 Filing fee for additional claims under 37 C.F.R. 1.16
 Petition fee for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136
 Other: **IDS fee**

The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0552.

Any filing fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 for the presentation of additional claims which are not paid by check submitted herewith.
 Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17.
 Any petition fees for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 which are not paid by check submitted herewith, and it is hereby requested that this be a petition for an automatic extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136.


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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the office action dated April 20, 2004, please reconsider the above-identified patent application based on the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this document.

Remarks and Arguments begin on page 6 of this document.